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In re Application of:

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For: PRINTING SYSTEM,
PRINTING APPARATUS,
INFORMATION PROCESSING
APPARATUS, CONTROL
METHOD THEREFOR, AND
COMPUTER-READABLE MEMORY

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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the documents listed on the enclosed Form PTO-1449. Copies of the listed documents are also enclosed.

The concise explanation of relevance for the non-English documents is given in the attached English-language abstracts. Each of the listed documents is cited in the specification, except U.S. Patent No. 5,218,376, which is in the patent family of JP 4-10941 cited in the specification.

It is respectfully requested that the above information be considered by the Examiner and that a copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 be returned indicating that such information has been considered.

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